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Software Development Tools and Technology Information Clearinghouse

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Presentation Agenda

- Purpose
- What is the DACS?
- What is the SDTATIC Clearinghouse?
- SDTATIC Features
- Model Based Development Tools Example
- How You Can Help

- Conference Survey (Q. 1-3)

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Purpose of This Presentation

- Make you aware of SDTATIC
- Get your Feedback on the Clearinghouse
- Getting you involved
- What Else is Needed?

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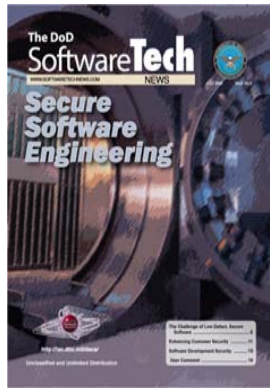
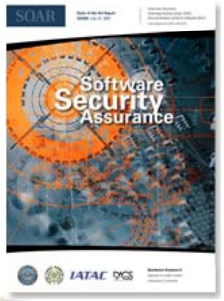
DACS - Data & Analysis Center for Software

- **The DACS technical area of focus is Software Technology and Software Engineering, in its broadest sense.**
- **Central distribution hub for the latest software technology information sources.**
- **Wide variety of Technical Services to support R&D, development, testing, validation, and transitioning of Software Engineering technology.**
- **Administered by DTIC. Technically managed by AFRL**
- **www.TheDACS.com or iac.dtic.mil/dacs**





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SDTATIC Clearinghouse

- SDTATIC provides DACS users, staff, Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) with a central and searchable source of information on software development tools and technology.
- At the clearinghouse, users will find a uniform description, characterization, and where available unbiased reviews of software development tools.
- These tools are categorized by a taxonomy
- Initial capability implemented

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Software Development Tools

- A software development tool is an executable software product supporting developers during the software system life cycle.
  - A software development tool, as defined here, excludes defined manual techniques, procedures, and processes. It includes commercial as well as open and free tools.
- The focus of SDTATIC is on technology-oriented tools, as opposed to tools for managing and acquiring software.
- SDTATIC Strategy: Prototype with one tool category and expand to other categories

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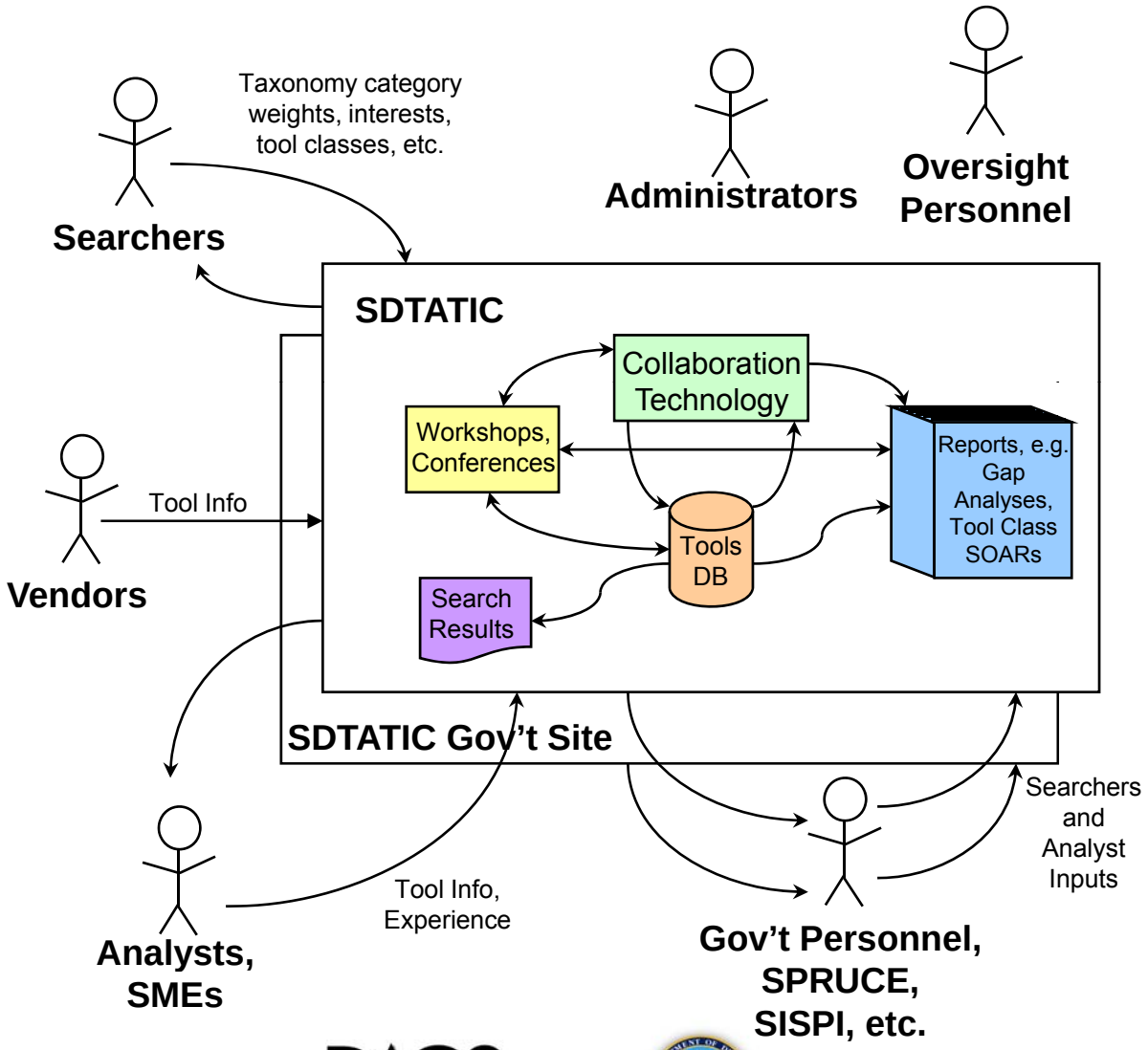
Sample Categories of Tools

- Architecture Tools
- Requirements
- Design
- Construction
- Testing
- Maintenance
- Open vs. Proprietary
- Embedded Development
- Model Driven Software Engineering
- Software Assurance

- These are tool attributes

SDTATIC Context



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Taxonomy Overview

- Available on SDTATIC web site
- Defined as three-level hierarchy. First level:
  - Life cycle process
  - Functionality
  - Host or running platform
  - Target platform
  - Input type or language
  - Output type or language
  - Availability
- Taxonomy entry includes definition. Maintained wiki-style

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Taxonomy Development

- Synthesizes existing taxonomies
- Life cycle decomposition
  - Based on ISO/IEC 15288:2008(E)
- Functionality from:
  - SWEBOK, Chapter 10
  - INCOSE (for requirements functionality)
- Target Platform
  - Extends Software Development Tools Directory
  - Extensions include Web-based and Middleware

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Profiles

- Profiles are associated with the SDTATIC taxonomy
  - Used to prioritize tool requirements
  - Assign an importance to an item in the taxonomy (not important, somewhat important, important, very important)
- Uses:
  - Define what is important to a user
  - Define what is important for a technology area (e.g., testing tools) or other grouping of tools
  - Identify stretch needs for gap analysis

1.0 Life Cycle Process	③
1.1 Project Planning	③
1.2 Project Assessment and Control Processes	③
1.3 Decision Management	②
1.4 Risk Management	
1.5 Configuration Management	③
1.9 Requirement Analysis	①
1.10 Architectural Design	③
1.11 Implementation	③
1.12 Integration	①
1.13 Verification	①
1.17 Maintenance	③
2.0 Functionality	③
2.10 Code Generation	③
2.11 Middleware and Libraries	①
2.12 Web Platform	①
2.13 Design and Implementation Modeling and Simulation	③
2.19 Re-engineering	①
2.27 Testing	①

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Representing Tools in the Taxonomy

- Tools are evaluated against the taxonomy (not implemented, partially fulfilled, fulfilled)
- DACS will initially develop and maintain assessment
  - Inputs from users welcome
  - Inputs from SMEs welcome
- Side by Side Comparison

1.1 Project Planning	3	∅	∅	∅
1.2 Project Assessment and Control Processes	3	∅	∅	∅
1.3 Decision Management	2	∅	∅	∅
1.4 Risk Management	1	∅	∅	∅
1.5 Configuration Management	3	∅	∅	∅
1.6 Information Management	0	∅	∅	∅
1.7 Quality	0	∅	∅	∅
1.8 Stakeholder Requirements Definition	0	∅	∅	∅
1.9 Requirement Analysis	1	∅	∅	∅
1.10 Architectural Design	3	◐	∅	∅
1.11 Implementation	3	◐	∅	∅
1.12 Integration	1	∅	∅	∅
1.13 Verification	1	◐	∅	∅
1.14 Transition	0	∅	∅	∅
1.15 Validation	0	∅	∅	∅
1.16 Operations	0	∅	∅	∅
1.17 Maintenance	3	∅	∅	∅
1.18 Disposal	0	∅	∅	∅
2.0 Functionality	0	∅	∅	∅

- Suggestions: Survey Q4

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User Capabilities for Finding Tools

- Browsing
- Searching
  - Near term: profile searching
  - Long term: natural language
    - "design tools that generate Java or C++"
- Ranking
  - Weighted rank order of tools based on profile priority
    - Similar to QFD Approach

- Survey Q5

SDTATIC Actions

- Browse SDTATIC Taxonomy
- Review a Software Tool
- Search Tools
- Register as a Subject Matter Expert
- Suggest a Tool

Finding Technology Gaps

- SDTATIC Gap Analysis Approach based on Quality Function Deployment (QFD)
- Each column for each tool generates a weighted sum.
  - This weighted sum can be used to sort most relevant to least relevant tool
- Each row for each taxonomy category is summed.
  - Totals can be viewed as the extent to which the "market" addresses those features
  - Poorly scored features could be interpreted as "gaps"
- Survey Q6

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		AndroMDA	Sum
1.0 Life Cycle Process	③	∅	0
1.1 Project Planning	③	∅	0
1.2 Project Assessment and Control Processes	③	∅	0
1.3 Decision Management	②	∅	0
1.4 Risk Management	①	∅	0
1.5 Configuration Management	③	∅	0
1.9 Requirement Analysis	①	∅	0
1.10 Architectural Design	③	◐	2
1.11 Implementation	③	◐	2
1.12 Integration	①	∅	0
1.13 Verification	①	◐	2
1.17 Maintenance	③	∅	0
2.0 Functionality	③	∅	0
2.10 Code Generation	③	●	
6.3.4 Atlas Transformation Language (ATL)	①	∅	∅
6.4 Programming Language	③	∅	∅
weighted sum		70	0

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Calling all SMEs

- Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on Tool Technology Areas
- SMEs on Individual Tools
- DACS will work with SMEs for high quality assessments
  - Will contract with selected SMEs
- We will contact you with user questions
  - Provides you direct access to users

- Survey: Q7

SDTATIC Actions

- Browse SDTATIC Taxonomy
- Review a Software Tool
- Search Tools
- Register as a Subject Matter Expert
- Suggest a Tool

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Calling Software Development Tool Vendors

- SDTATIC will collaborate with tool vendors for high quality assessments
  - Tool vendor assessments will be shown separately
- We will either contact you or you can contact us.
- Survey: Q8 if you are a tool vendor

SDTATIC Actions

- Browse SDTATIC Taxonomy
- Review a Software Tool
- Search Tools
- Register as a Subject Matter Expert
- Suggest a Tool

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Getting Your Input

- Capabilities exist to provide inputs/reviews on tools
- SDTATIC.com is a wiki
- SDTATIC Community Building
- Suggest Tools

- Survey: Q9

SDTATIC Actions

- Browse SDTATIC Taxonomy
- Review a Software Tool
- Search Tools
- Register as a Subject Matter Expert
- Suggest a Tool

SDTATIC Community Building

- Work with related projects, e.g.
  - DoD Best Practices Clearinghouse
  - International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE)
  - Software Assurance Metrics and Tools Evaluation (SAMATE)
  - Software Systems Stockroom (S3)
  - Systems and software Producibility Collaboration and Evaluation Environment (SPRUCE)
- Use collaborative technology (e.g., wiki)
- Surveys from DACS
- Sponsor workshops, conference tracks, etc.

- Survey: Q10

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Other Services and Information From SDTATIC

- DACS/SDTATIC Team will Respond to Technical Inquiries on Software Development Tools, up to 4 hours, for Free
- Other Information
  - For Open Source, links to the source
  - Related documents
  - Conference links
  - Vendor links

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Model-Driven Software Development

- Definition: Model-driven development is simply the notion that we can construct a model of a system that we then transform into the real thing... A model is a coherent set of formal elements describing something (for example, a system, bank, phone, or train) built for some purpose that is amenable to a particular form of analysis... Model-driven development automates the transformation of models from one form to another. (Mellor et al 2003)
- Synonyms:
  - Model-Driven Architecture (MDA)
  - Model-Driven Development (MDD)
  - Model-Based Development (MBD)
  - Model-Driven Software Engineering (MDSE)

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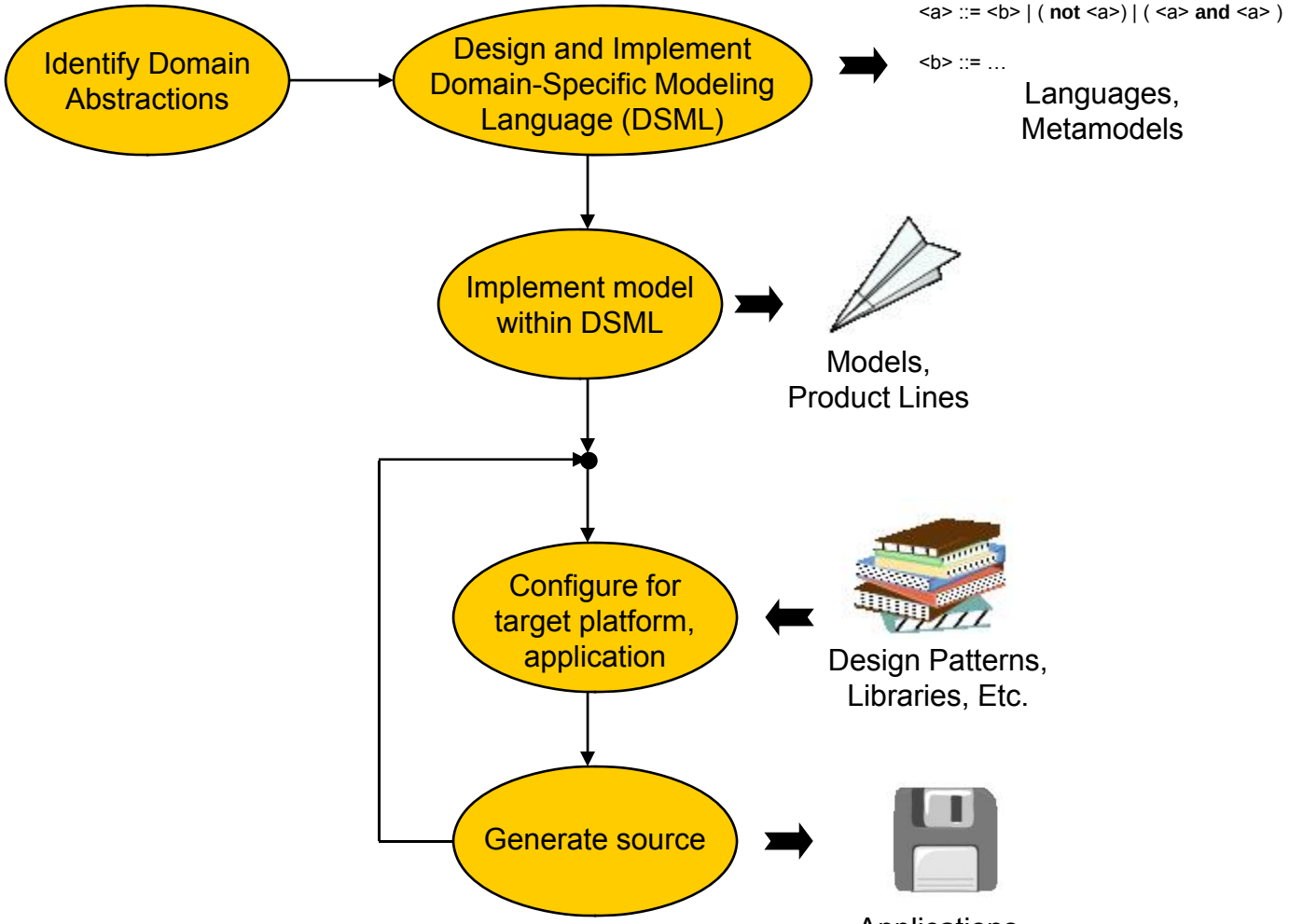
MDD Process



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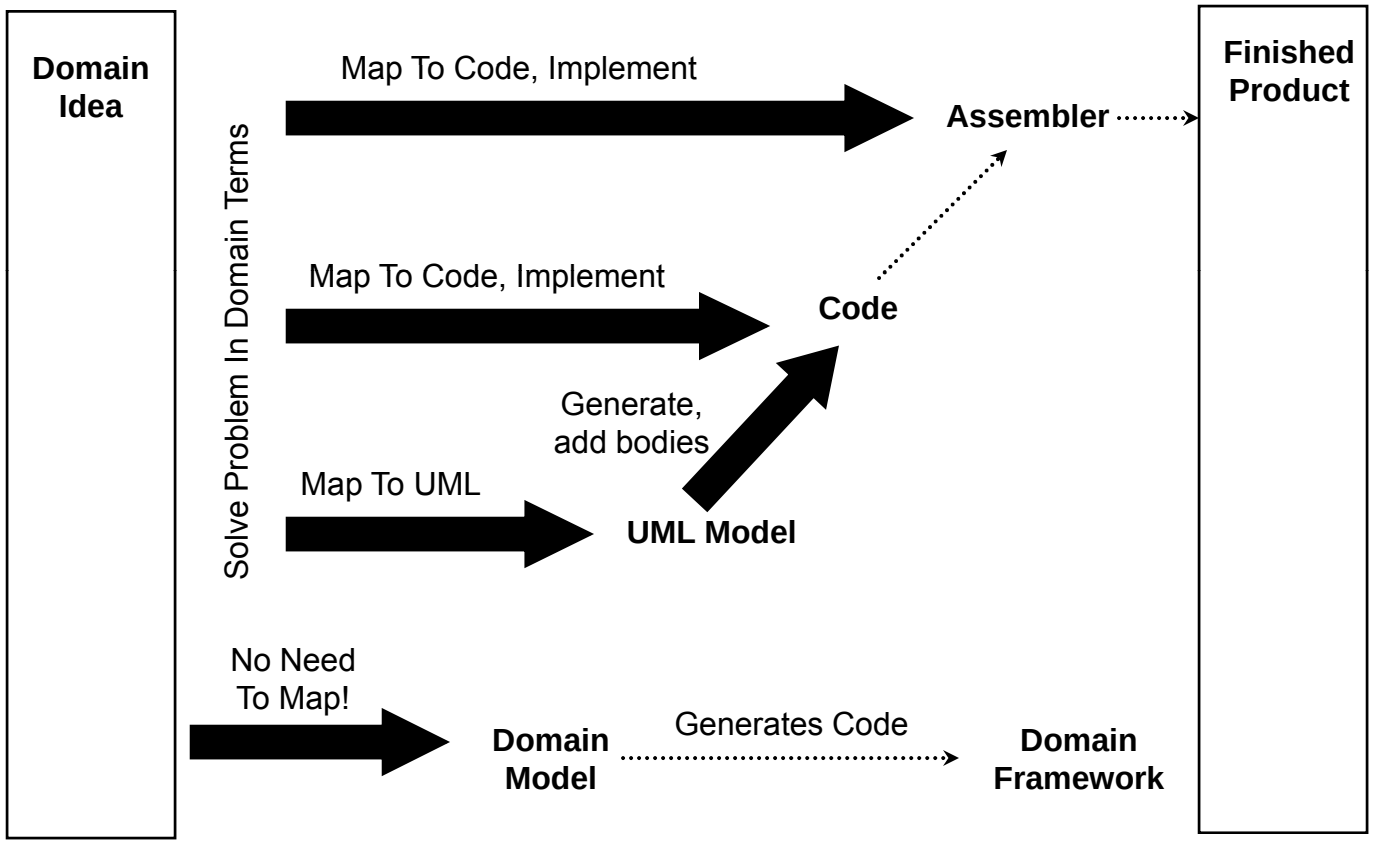
MDSE Raises Level of Abstraction



(Based on Kelly and Tolvanen 2008)

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Origins

- Knowledge-Based Software Assistant (KBSA)
  - AFRL project
  - Project meetings became KBS Engineering (KBSE) conference
  - Now IEEE Conference on Automated Software Engineering
- Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools
  - Often Object-Oriented
  - Often with diagrams for user interaction
  - Functionality: Documentation, prototype simulation, code generation
- Object Management Group (OMG) and Unified Modeling Language (UML)
  - UML created by the “Three amigos”: Grady Booch, Ivar Jacobson, and James Rumbaugh
  - Model-Driven Architecture (MDA) is OMG project

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Example MDD Tools

- AndroMDA – OMG MDA-compliant
- ArcStyle - OMG MDA-compliant
- Borland Together
- CA Gen
- CA Plex
- Generic Modeling Environment (GME)
- MetaEdit+
- Oslo
- Rational Software Architect
- Rational Software Modeler
- Telelogic Tau
- Telelogic Rhapsody

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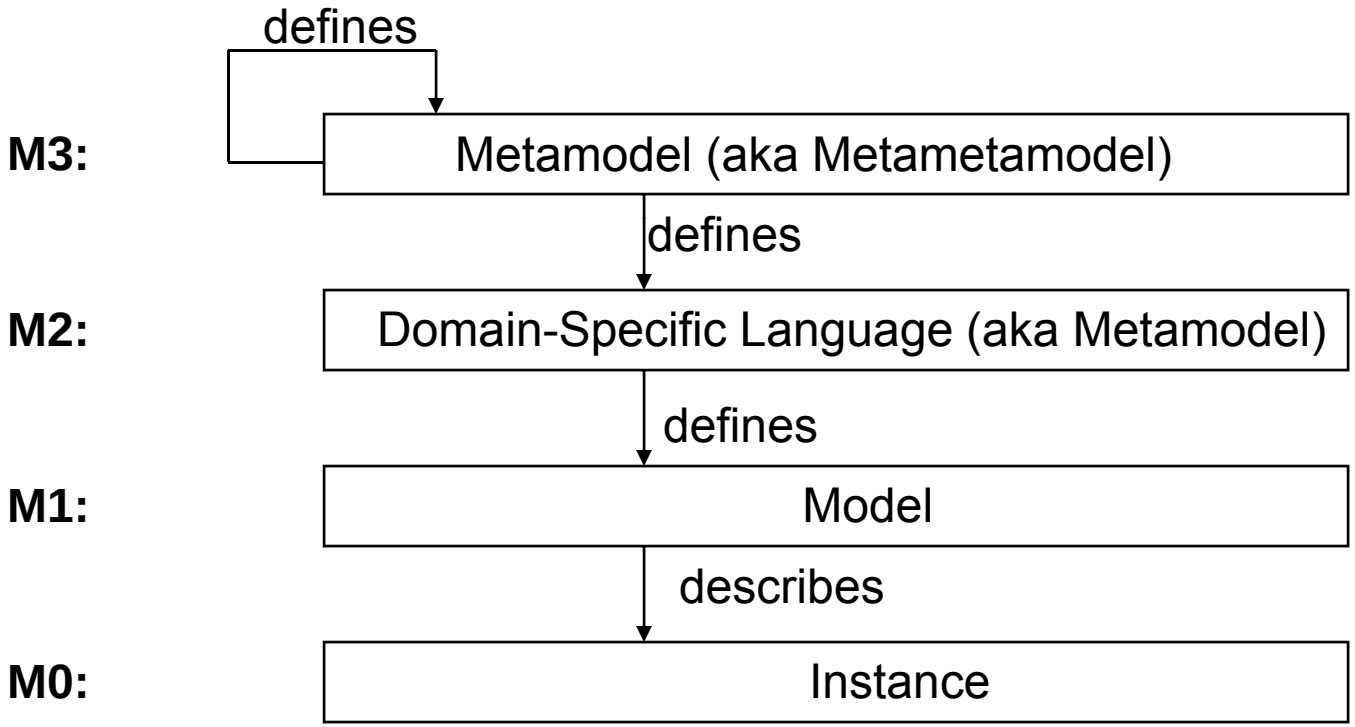
Metamodeling Hierarchy



(Based on Stahl and Volter 2006)

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OMG Standards for MDSE

- Model Driven Architecture (MDA)
- MetaObject Facility (MOF)
- Unified Modeling Language (UML 2.0)
- Object Constraint Framework (OCF)
- Query/View/Transformation (QVT)
- XML Metadata Interchange (XMI)
- Common Warehouse Metamodel (CWM) Metadata Interchange Pattern (MIP)

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Twelve UML Diagram Types in Three Categories

System Structure	**Class**	Classes and their relationships in a logical view of the system
	Object	Objects and their relationships at a specific time
	Component	Organizations and dependencies among software components
	Deployment	Processors, connections between them, and the distribution of components across processors
Model Management	**Package**	Organizes elements of a system into related groups
	Subsystem	Details of a subsystem, including aspects of its operation
	Model	An innovation of UML 2.0

Twelve UML Diagram Types in Three Categories (Cont'd)

System Behavior	**Use Case**	Relationships and the flow of events between actors and a sequence of related transactions
	Sequence	Object interactions in a sequence
	Activity	Flow of control (e.g., business workflow or between methods of a class)
	Collaboration	Object interactions organized around objects and their links
	State Chart	For a given class, states and events that cause a state transition

An *interaction diagram* is a combination of a sequence and a collaboration diagram.

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MDD Input Languages Example

4.4.7 Spring	1
4.4.8 Struts	1
5.0 Input Type or Programming Language	3
5.1 Metamodeling Framework	3
5.1.1 MetaObject Facility (MOF)	3
5.2 Domain Specific Language	3
5.2.1 Unified Modeling Language	3
5.3 Interchange Format	3
5.3.1 XML Metadata Interchange	3
5.3.2 Query/View/Transformation	1
5.3.3 Object Constraint Language	1
5.3.4 Atlas Transformation Language (ATL)	1
5.4 Programming Languages	1
6.0 Output Type or Language	3
6.1 Metamodeling Framework	3
6.1.1 MetaObject Facility (MOF)	3

Taxonomy Categories

MDD Importance

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Further Information

Other Suggestions: Q11

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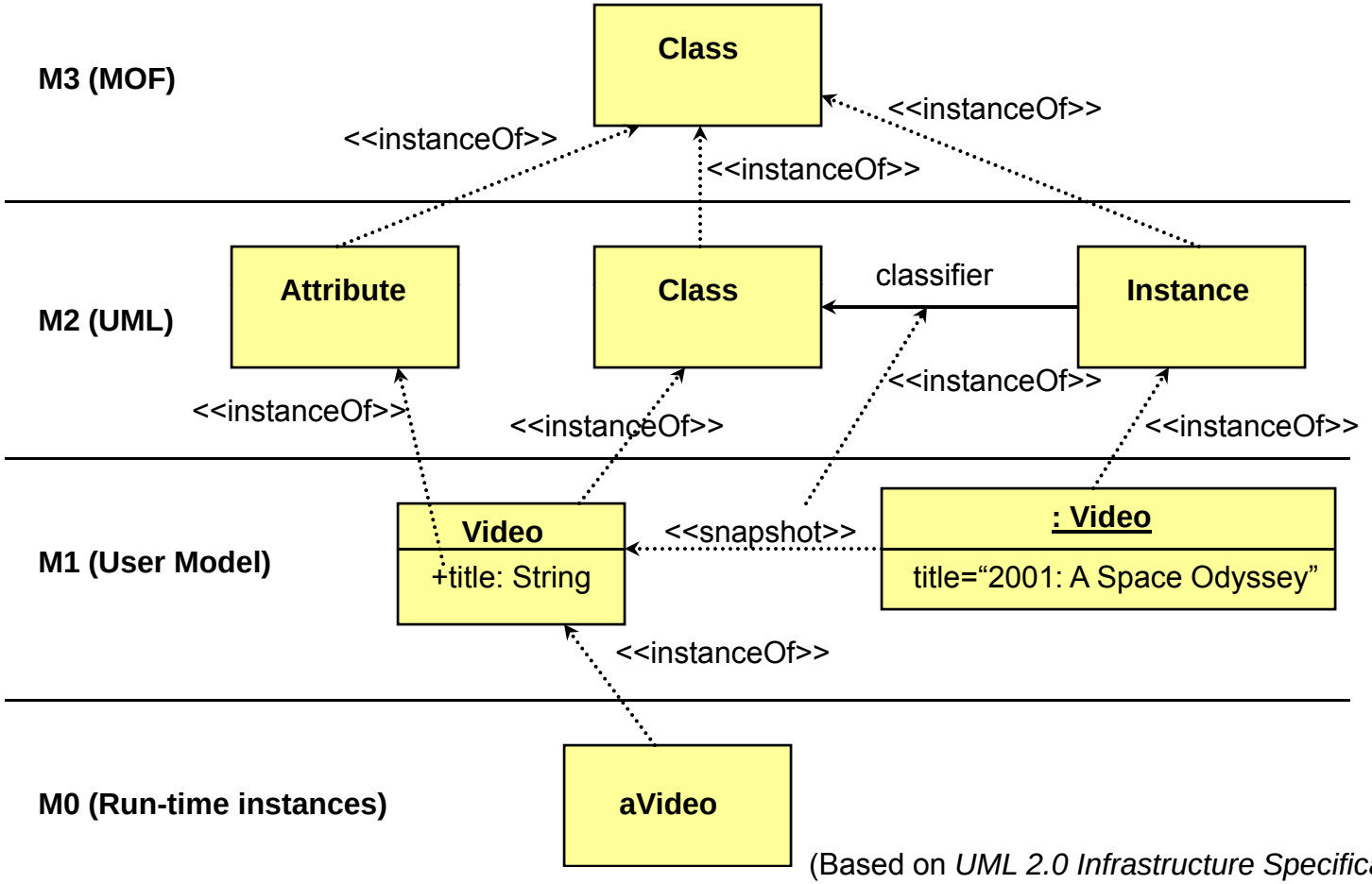
"Just because it's SDTATIC, doesn't mean things don't change"

Backup

Metamodel Hierarchy Example



(Based on *UML 2.0 Infrastructure Specification* 2003)

OMG Model Driven Architecture (MDA) Process

1. Build the Computational Independent Model (CIM)
2. Build the PIM
3. Transform the PIM into the PSM
4. Generate code from the PSM